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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN POSITION IN ILO GOVERNING BODY MEETING

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1. FEB 14 EMBOFF CALLED ON REGINA CASTELLO BRANCO, FOREIGN MINISTRY DESK OFFICER FOR ILO, TO PRESENT POINTS IN REFTEL A. CASTELLO BRANCO SAID (A) GOB STILL HAS NOT WORKED OUT ITS POSITION ON DIRECTO GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATION TO CLOSE THE BOOK ON 1974 ISRAELI CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION (REFTEL B) (B) THAT EMBOFF'S REPRESENTATION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 17 OF GOVERNING BODY STANDING ORDERS WAS FIRST SHE HAD HEARD ON SUBJECT. SHE DID CONFIRM THAT CARLOS CHIARELLI, LABOR MINISTRY OFFICIAL, WILL HEAD GOB DELEGATION TO GB MEETING. CASTELLO BRANCO AGAIN PROMISED TO MAKE FURTHER INQUIRIES AND INFORM EMBASSY, BUT SUGGESTED THAT USG DELEGATE SPEAK DIRECTLY TO CHIARELLI IN IN GENEVA. AIDE-MEMOIRE WAS LEFT WITHMS. CASTELLO BRANCO.

2. FEB 10 POL COUNS AND EMBOFF CALLED ON DR. MARCELO PIMENTAL, LEGAL ADVISER TO MINISTER OF LABOR AND MINISTRY
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OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR ILO AFFAIRS TO MAKE POINTS IN REFTEL A. WHILE EMPHASIZING THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY AND NOT LABOR MINISTRY WOULD TAKE LEAD IN DETERMINING GOB STANCE ON TWO ISSUES IN QUESTION, HE WAS SYMPATHETIC TO USG CONCERNS AND AGREED THAT ILO HAS BECOME OVER-POLITICIZED. HE LAMENTED, FOR EXAMPLE, WHAT HE CALLED WFTU HARRASSMENT OF BRAZIL IN ILO ON TRADE UNION FREEDOM.

IN RECALLING BRAZIL' POSITION OF "EQUAL DISTANCE"
IN ISRAEL/ARAB DISPUTE, PIMENTEL MENTIONED IMPORTANCE
OF PETROLEUM AND FORECAST "GREAT COUTION" IN GOB HANDLING
OF DG'S RECOMMENDATION. HE STATE THAT PROPOSED AMENDMENT
TO ARTICLE 17 IS REASONABLE AND GOB COULD SUPPORT IT AS LONG
AS IT REMAINS A PROCEDUAL QUESTION WITHOUT INTERNATIONAL
POLITICAL OVERTONES. PIMENTEL SAID HE WOULD SPEAK
TO CHIARELLI BEFORE THE LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR GENEVA
AND URGE SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT.
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